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Applicants: Glade H. Howell

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully submits this response to the Office Action mailed on August 3, 2007 (the "Office Action").

A Listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

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